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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: **PROCESSING DEVICE AND PROCESSING TOOL FOR PROCESSING A  
WORKPIECE**



**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

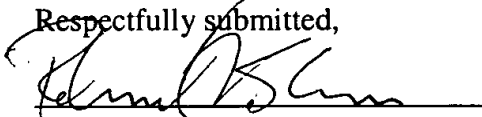
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of four months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 31, 2001 to July 31, 2001.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1,440.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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